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# **VIA ECFS**

June 19, 2015

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission Office of the Secretary 445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

# RE: REQUEST FOR CONFIDENTIAL TREATMENT WC Docket No. 14-58 - ETC Annual Reports and Certifications

Request that Information Submitted to the Commission be Withheld from Public Inspection Pursuant to 47 C.F.R. §0.459 and 5 U.S.C. §552(b)(4): Five-Year Service Quality Improvement Plan Progress Report and Service Outage Reporting included in FCC Form 481

Confidential Financial Information – Subject to Protective Order in WC Docket Nos. 10-90, 07-135, 05-337, 03-109, 14-58, CC Docket Nos. 01-92, 96-45, GN Docket No. 09-51, WT Docket No. 10-208, Before the Federal Communications Commission

Dear Ms. Dortch:

In accordance with the annual reporting requirements of 47 C.F.R. §§54.313 and 54.422, Muenster Telephone Corporation of Texas d/b/a Nortex Communications ("Nortex" or "the Company"), Study Area Code 442116, is submitting a completed FCC Form 481 to the Commission via its Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS) in WC Docket No. 14-58. The Company, by its authorized representative, hereby requests confidential treatment of three attachments to its FCC Form 481: (1) the five-year service quality improvement plan progress report, (2) the financial annual report, and (3) service outage reporting, all of which were redacted in the ECFS submission. The request for confidential treatment of the five-year plan progress report and the service outage reporting is being made pursuant to Section 0.459 of the Commission's rules and



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Exemption 4 of the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA). The request for confidential treatment of the financial annual report is being made pursuant to the FCC's June 17, 2015 *Protective Order* in WC Docket No. 10-90 *et al.* These attachments contain competitively sensitive data that Nortex maintains as confidential and does not normally make available to the public. Release of this information would have a substantial negative impact on the Company.

# <u>Five-Year Service Quality Improvement Plan Progress Report and Service Outage Reporting</u>

Pursuant to Section 0.459 of the Commission's rules and Exemption 4 of FOIA, Nortex requests that the text and data extracted from its five-year service quality improvement plan progress report and the service outage Reporting be withheld from public inspection because it contains competitively sensitive commercial and financial information that the Company keeps confidential. Public availability of this information would have a substantial negative impact on the Company.

In accordance with Section 0.459 of the Commission's rules, the following information is provided in support of this request:

(1) Identification of the specific information for which confidential treatment is sought:

Attachment to Line 112 of FCC Form 481 – Five-Year Service Quality Improvement Plan Progress Report. Specifically, confidential treatment is sought for all information in the five-year plan progress report related to the Company's access line counts, existing broadband capabilities, and current and planned financial investments in its network that will improve service quality, service coverage, and/or service capacity for its customers.

Attachment to Line 200 of FCC Form 481 – Service Outage Reporting. Confidential treatment is sought for all information in the service outage report specifically related to the Company's access line counts.

(2) Identification of the Commission proceeding in which the information was submitted or a description of the circumstances giving rise to the submission:

The information was submitted in WC Docket No. 14-58 as an attachment to FCC Form 481- the Carrier Annual Reporting Data Collection Form. Section 100 of FCC Form 481 requires incumbent local exchange carriers receiving high cost support to attach a progress report on its five-year service quality improvement plan, pursuant to 47 C.F.R. §54.313(a)(1). Section 200 requires eligible telecommunications carriers to report outage information of at least 30 minutes in duration and impacts at least

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ten percent of the end users served in the service area or 911 special facility pursuant to 47 C.F.R. §54.313(a)(2).

(3) Explanation of the degree to which the information is commercial or financial, or contains a trade secret or is privileged:

The five-year service quality improvement plan progress report contains granular information on the Company's access line counts and/or existing broadband capabilities as well as recent and planned capital investments in its network to improve service quality, service coverage, and/or service capacity. It also contains a map of the Company's service area detailing progress toward meeting broadband deployment targets at the wire center level. The service outage information contains access line information which could cause harm to the competitive position of the Company. The required information in both instances contains closely guarded, privileged information that the Company does not make publicly available.

(4) Explanation of the degree to which the information concerns a service that is subject to competition:

Broadband service and voice service are both subject to increasing competition in the areas served by rural, rate-of-return incumbent local exchange carriers (RLECs). Virtually all RLECs face competition from one or more wireless providers that have voice and data plans. Most RLECs also face competition from at least one other wireline voice and broadband provider such as a larger cable company, who will typically seek to "cherry pick" the lower cost portions of the study area. In addition, all RLECs face competition throughout their territories from satellite providers.

(5) Explanation of how disclosure of the information could result in substantial competitive harm:

Disclosure of the information contained in the five-year plan progress report and the outage reporting would provide competitors with detailed, granular information regarding the Company's access line count, its existing broadband capabilities, and its recent and planned network investments that improve service quality, coverage, and/or capacity for subscribers. This would give competitors invaluable confidential information with which to develop their own strategies for investing in the service area, thereby bringing substantial competitive harm to the Company.

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(6) Identification of any measures taken by the submitting party to prevent unauthorized disclosure:

The Company has continually treated the extracted information in its five-year plan progress report and the access counts provided in the service outage reporting as confidential and carefully controls the information to protect it from competitors. Access to the information is limited to employees that require it and to non-employees with confidentiality obligations such as lenders, consultants, auditors, and attorneys. In addition, when such information is required to be submitted to a state regulatory authority it has been filed as confidential information, not available to the public.

(7) Identification of whether the information is available to the public and the extent of any previous disclosure of the information to third parties:

The redacted information in the five-year plan progress report and service outage reporting is not available to the public, and third party access is limited as described in (6) above.

(8) Justification of the period during which the submitting party asserts that material should not be available for public disclosure:

The Company requests that the extracted information be withheld from public inspection indefinitely. The information in the five-year plan progress report details the Company's most recent network upgrades in relation to its previously submitted service quality improvement plan. It may also contain upcoming planned network improvements during the period ending 2019. This information would provide a very useful baseline for competitors for several years beyond that period. The Company also requests that the service outage information be withheld from public inspection indefinitely because of the ongoing competitive harm it may cause.

(9) Any other information that the party seeking confidential information treatment believes may be useful in assessing whether its request for confidentiality should be granted:

Exemption 4 of FOIA shields from public disclosure commercial or financial information obtained from a person that is privileged or confidential. Based on the responses provided above, the information in question satisfies this test.

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# **Financial Annual Report**

Section 3005 of FCC Form 481 requires a privately-held rate-of-return carrier receiving high cost support to attach a full and complete annual report of the company's financial condition and operations pursuant to 47 C.F.R. §54.313(f)(2). Nortex seeks confidential treatment of its financial annual report pursuant to the June 17, 2015 *Protective Order* in WC Docket No. 10-90, *et al.*<sup>1</sup> The *Protective Order* specifically covers information filed pursuant to 47 C.F.R. §54.313(f)(2).

Nortex is providing to the Office of the Secretary, under seal, this cover letter and the Form 481 filing which includes the confidential information that is being requested to be withheld from public inspection.

Each page of the five-year service quality improvement plan progress report confidential submission bears the legend, "CONFIDENTIAL – NOT FOR PUBLIC DISCLOSURE."

Each page of the Service Outage Reporting (Voice) confidential submission bears the legend, "CONFIDENTIAL – NOT FOR PUBLIC DISCLOSURE."

Each page of the financial annual report confidential submission bears the legend, "CONFIDENTIAL FINANCIAL INFORMATION – SUBJECT TO PROTECTIVE ORDER IN WC DOCKET NOS. 10-90, 07-135, 05-337, 03-109, 14-58, CC DOCKET NOS. 01-92, 96-45, GN DOCKET NO. 09-51, WT DOCKET NO. 10-208, BEFORE THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION."

Two copies of the Form 481 filing in redacted form and an accompanying cover letter are also being provided with the confidential filing. Each page of the redacted filing and accompanying cover letter is marked "REDACTED – FOR PUBLIC INSPECTION."

Two copies of this cover letter and the Form 481 filing with the confidential information are also being delivered to Mr. Charles Tyler, Telecommunications Access Policy Division, Wireline Competition Bureau.

The confidential information has also been submitted to the Universal Service Administrative Company through its E-File system.

<sup>1</sup> Connect America Fund et al., WC Docket No. 10-90 et al., Protective Order, DA 15-712 (rel. Jun. 17, 2015).

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This cover letter includes no confidential information and the text is the same in both the non-redacted and redacted versions except for the confidentiality markings.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Stuart Polikoff

Authorized Representative for

Muenster Telephone Corporation of Texas d/b/a Nortex Communications

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**Enclosures** 

cc: Mr. Charles Tyler, Telecommunications Access Policy Division, Wireline

Competition Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, (2 hardcopies of non-

redacted submission)

Mr. Alan Rohmer

Muenster Telephone Corporation of Texas d/b/a Nortex Communications

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(3012)	Community Anchor Institutions (47 CFR § 54.313(f)(1)(i))	
		Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information
(3013)	Is your company a Privately Held ROR Carrier {47 CFR § 54.313(f)(2)} If yes, does your company file the RUS annual report	(Yes/No)
Please	3 check these boxes to confirm that the attached document(s), on line 301.	Please check these boxes to confirm that the attached document(s), on line 3017, contains the required information bursuant to \$ 54.313(f)(2) compliance requires:
(3015)	Electronic copy of their annual RUS reports (Operating Report for	
(3016)	Telecommunications Borrowers)  Non-import(c) for Rajanca Shoot Income Statement and Statement of Cash Flows	h Flowe
(οτος)		116tx3017.pdf
(3017)	If the response is yes on line 3014, attach your company's RUS annual report and all required documentation	
		Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information
(3018)	lf the response is no on line 3014, Is your company audited?	(Yes/No)
(3019)	Either a copy of their audited financial statement, or (2) a financial report in a format comparable to RUS Operating Report for Telecommunications	rmat comparable to RUS Operating Report for Telecommunications
(3020)	Document(s) for Balance Sheet, Income Statement and Statement of Cash Flows	sh Flows
(3021)	Management letter and audit opinion issued by the independent certified public accountant that performed the company's financial audit	blic accountant that performed the company's financial audit
	If the response is no on line 3018, please check the baxes balow to confirm your submission, on line 3026 pursuant to § 54.313(f)(2), contains:	
(3022)	Copy of their financial statement which has been subject to review by an	
	independent certified public accountant; or 2) a financial report in a format comparable to RUS Operating Report for Telecommunications	
	Borrowers,	
(3023)		
(3024)	<ul> <li>Underlying information subjected to an officer certification.</li> <li>Document(s) for Balance Sheet, Income Statement and Statement of Cash Flows</li> </ul>	sh Flows
(3026)	Attach the worksheet listing required information	
		Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information

# REDACTED FOR PUBLIC INSPECTION

FCC Form 481	OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819	July 2013
(3000) Rate Of Return Carrier Additional Documentation (Continued)	Data Collection Form	

442116	MUENSTER DBA NORTEX	2016	Alan Rohmer	9407592251 ext.	arohmer@nortex.com
:010> Study Area Code	Study Area Name	:020> Program Year	<030> Contact Name - Person USAC should contact regarding this data	<035> Contact Telephone Number - Number of person identified in data line <030> 9407592251 ext.	<039> Contact Email Address - Email Address of person identified in data line <030> arohmer@nortex.com
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(3027) Revenue

(3028) Operating Expenses

(3029) Net Income

(3030) Telephone Plant In Service(TPIS)

(3031) Total Assets (3032) Total Debt (3033) Total Equity

(3034) Dividends

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Certification - Reporting Carrier	FCC Form 481
Data Collection Form	OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819
	July 2013

<010>	Study Area Code	442116
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### TO BE COMPLETED BY THE REPORTING CARRIER, IF THE REPORTING CARRIER IS FILING ANNUAL REPORTING ON ITS OWN BEHALF:

# Certification of Officer as to the Accuracy of the Data Reported for the Annual Reporting for CAF or LI Recipients I certify that I am an officer of the reporting carrier; my responsibilities include ensuring the accuracy of the annual reporting requirements for universal service support recipients; and, to the best of my knowledge, the information reported on this form and in any attachments is accurate. Name of Reporting Carrier: Signature of Authorized Officer: Date Printed name of Authorized Officer: Title or position of Authorized Officer: Telephone number of Authorized Officer: Filing Due Date for this form: Persons willfully making false statements on this form can be punished by fine or forfeiture under the Communications Act of 1934, 47 U.S.C. §§ 502, 503(b), or fine or imprisonment

under Title 18 of the United States Code, 18 U.S.C. § 1001.

	ion - Agent / Carrier ection Form		FCC Form 481 OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819 July 2013
<010>	Study Area Code	442116	
<015>	Study Area Name	MUENSTER DBA NORTEX	
<020>	Program Year	2016	
<030>	Contact Name - Person USAC should contact regarding this data	Alan Rohmer	
<035>	Contact Telephone Number - Number of person identified in data line <030>	9407592251 ext.	

### TO BE COMPLETED BY THE REPORTING CARRIER, IF AN AGENT IS FILING ANNUAL REPORTS ON THE CARRIER'S BEHALF:

<039> Contact Email Address - Email Address of person identified in data line <030> arohmer@nortex.com

Certification of Officer to Authorize an A	Agent to File Annual Reports for CAF or LI Recipients on Behalf of Reporting Carrier
I certify that (Name of Agent) <u>Stuart Polikoff</u> also certify that I am an officer of the reporting carrier; my responsil agent; and, to the best of my knowledge, the reports and data provides.	is authorized to submit the information reported on behalf of the reporting carrier. I bilities include ensuring the accuracy of the annual data reporting requirements provided to the authorized ded to the authorized agent is accurate.
Name of Authorized Agent: Stuart Polikoff	
Name of Reporting Carrier: MUENSTER DBA NORTEX	
Signature of Authorized Officer: CERTIFIED ONLINE	Date: 06/18/2015
Printed name of Authorized Officer: Alan Rohmer	
Title or position of Authorized Officer: Chief Financial Officer	
Telephone number of Authorized Officer: 9407592251 ext.	
Study Area Code of Reporting Carrier: 442116	Filing Due Date for this form: 07/01/2015
, ,	d by fine or forfeiture under the Communications Act of 1934, 47 U.S.C. §§ 502, 503(b), or fine or imprisonment itle 18 of the United States Code, 18 U.S.C. § 1001.

# TO BE COMPLETED BY THE AUTHORIZED AGENT:

Certification of Agent Authorized to File Annual Reports for CAF or LI Recipients on Bel	alf of Reportin	g Carrier
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I, as agent for the reporting carrier, certify that I am authorized to submit the annual reports for universal service support recipients o the data reported herein based on data provided by the reporting carrier; and, to the best of my knowledge, the information reported		
Name of Reporting Carrier: MUENSTER DBA NORTEX		
Name of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent: Stuart Polikoff		
Signature of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent: CERTIFIED ONLINE	Date:	06/18/2015
Printed name of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent: Stuart Polikoff		
Title or position of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent Telecommunications Consulting Director		
Telephone number of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent: 5126527730 ext.		
Study Area Code of Reporting Carrier: 442116 Filing Due Date for this form: 07/01/2015		
Persons willfully making false statements on this form can be punished by fine or forfeiture under the Communications Act of 1934, 47 U.S.C. 18 of the United States Code, 18 U.S.C. § 1001.	C. §§ 502, 503(b), or	fine or imprisonment under Title



(200) Serv Data Colle	(200) Service Outage Reporting (Voice) Data Collection Form	oorting (V	oice)						FCC Form 481 OMB Control No. July 2013	FCC Form 481 OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819 July 2013	ol No. 3060-0819
<010>	Study Area Code	e				7	442116				
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<020>	Program Year						2016				
<030>	Contact Name - Person USAC should contact regarding this data	Person US	SAC should cor	ntact regard	ing this data	7	Alan Rohmer	I.			
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<039>	Contact Email A	ddress - Er	nail Address o	of person ide	Contact Email Address - Email Address of person identified in data line <030>		arohmer@nortex.com	rtex.com			
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NORS Reference Number	Onio	0 %	out	O m	Number of Customers	Total Number of	911 Facilities Affected	Service Outage Description (Check	age ole	Service Outage	Preventative
	Date 02/11/2014	Time 10:20	<b>Date</b> 02/11/2014	11:40	Affected	Customers	(Yes / No)	Wireline (including cable) Voice (non-VoIP)	(Yes / No)	Resolution A different network protocol new FTTH equipment.	Procedures Different network protocols were implemented between two different vendors' equipment.
	05/04/2014	14:50	05/04/2014	16:00			No	Wireline (including cable) Voice (non-VoIP)	NO ro	A backup network route was restored.	Network switch configuration was corrected so that automatic failover will function in the future.

(700) Price Offerings including Voice Rate Data	FCC Form 481
Data Collection Form	OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819
	July 2013

<010>	<010> Study Area Code	442116
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<020>	<020> Program Year	2016
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<701> Residential Local Service Charge Effective Date<702> Single State-wide Residential Local Service Charge

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1/1/2015

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<>>>	Total per line Rates and Fees	18.67	18.67	18.67	18.67	18.67	18.67													
<	Mandatory Extended Area Service Charge	3.5	0.0	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.5													
       	State Universal Service Fee	0.67	0.67	0.67	0.67	0.67	0.67													
 	State Subscriber Line Charge	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0													
 	Residential Local Service Rate	14.5	18.0	14.5	14.5	14.5	14.5													
 b1>	Rate Type	FR	FR	FR	FR	FR	FR													
<a3></a3>	SAC (CETC)																			
<a2></a2>	Exchange (ILEC)	Muenster	Myra	Rosston	Forrestburg	Valley View	Valley View East													
<a1>&gt;</a1>	State	TX	TX	TX	TX	XT	TX													

FCC Form 481	OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819	July 2013
(710) Broadband Price Offerings	Data Collection Form	

<010>	Study Area Code	) Code			442116				
<015>	Study Area Name	Name			MUENSTER DBA NORTEX	ORTEX			
<020>	Program Year	ear			2016				
<030>	Contact Na	Contact Name - Person USAC should contact regarding this data	d contact regarding	this data	Alan Rohmer				
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	State	Exchange (ILEC)	Residential Rate	State Regulated Fees	Total Rates and Fees	Broadband Service - Download Speed (Mbps)	Broadband Service - Broadband Service Usage Download Speed - Upload Speed (Mbps) (GB)	Usage Allowance (GB)	Usage Allowance Action Taken When Limit Reached {select}
	TX	ALL	59.95	0.0	59.95	8.0	1.0	666666	Other, No limit on usage allowance.
	XT	ALL	69.95	0.0	69.95	15.0	1.0	666666	Other, No limit on usage allowance.
	TX	ALL	79.95	0.0	79.95	30.0	2.0	666666	Other, No limit on usage allowance.
	TX	ALL	59.95	0.0	59.95	5.0	1.0	666666	Other, No limit on usage allowance.
	TX	ALL	69.95	0.0	69.95	10.0	2.0	666666	Other, No limit on usage allowance.
	TX	Muenster	49.95	0.0	49.95	5.0	1.0	666666	Other, No limit on usage allowance.
	XI	Valley View	49.95	0.0	49.95	5.0	1.0	666666	Other, No limit on usage allowance.
	TX	Valley View East	49.95	0.0	49.95	5.0	1.0	666666	Other, No limit on usage allowance.
	TX	Muenster	59.95	0.0	59.95	8.0	2.0	666666	Other, No limit on usage allowance.
	XT	Valley View	59.95	0.0	59.95	8.0	2.0	666666	Other, No limit on usage allowance.
	TX	Valley View East	56.65	0.0	59.95	8.0	2.0	666666	Other, No limit on usage allowance.
	XX	Muenster	69.95	0.0	69.95	15.0	5.0	666666	Other, No limit on usage allowance.
	TX	Valley View	69.95	0.0	69.95	15.0	5.0	666666	Other, No limit on usage allowance.
	TX	Valley View East	69.95	0.0	69.95	15.0	5.0	666666	Other, No limit on usage allowance.
	XI	Muenster	79.95	0.0	79.95	30.0	5.0	666666	Other, No limit on usage allowance.
	TX	Valley View	79.95	0.0	79.95	30.0	5.0	666666	Other, No limit on usage allowance.
	TX	Valley View East	79.95	0.0	79.95	30.0	5.0	666666	Other, No limit on usage allowance.

# LINE 112 – FIVE-YEAR SERVICE QUALITY IMPROVEMENT PLAN PROGRESS REPORT



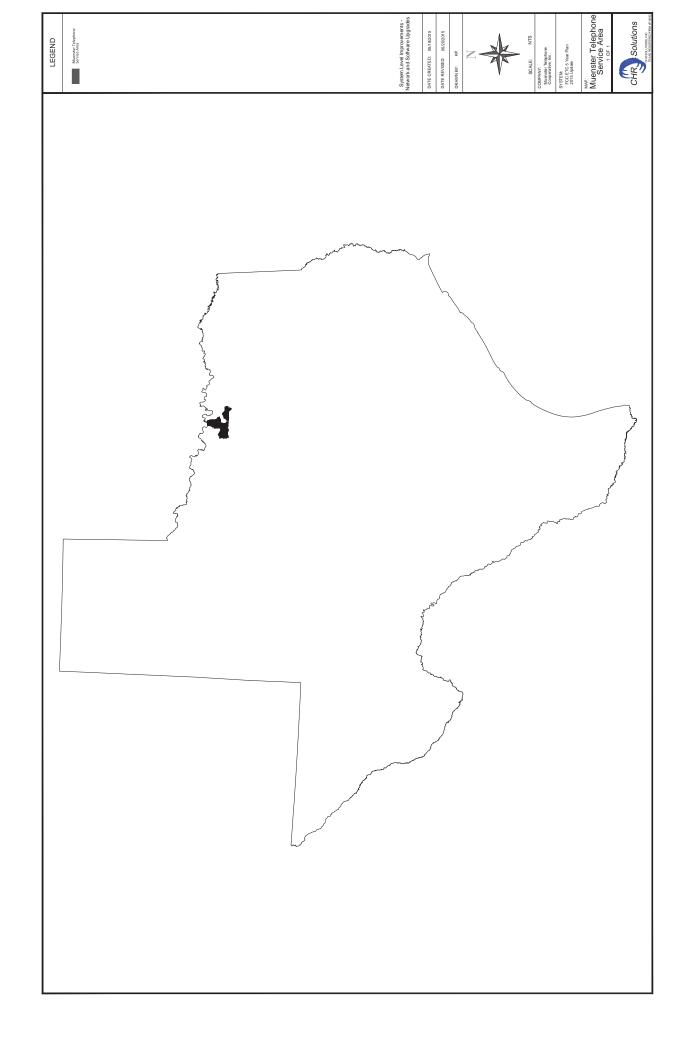
The Company received \$718,546 in Universal Service Fund ("USF") support during the period January through April 2015. It projects that it will receive \$362,054 in USF support during the period May-June 2015. The Company therefore projects that its total USF support for the first half of 2015 (Jan.-Jun.) will be \$1,080,600.

Service Quality Improvement Plan Progress Report

Servic	ce Quality Improvement Plan Progr	ess Report	
Exchange	5 Year Plan 2015 Proposed Improvements	5 Year Plan - 2015 Forecast	2015 Progress (Jan-June)
(	GRAND TOTAL		

# **2015 Progress Report Description**







# LINE 510 - SERVICE QUALITY STANDARDS AND CONSUMER PROTECTION RULES COMPLIANCE

Muenster Telephone Corporation of Texas d/b/a Nortex Communications ("the Company") complies with applicable service quality standards and consumer protection rules for its voice and broadband services.

The rates, terms, and conditions under which the Company operates are outlined in its local exchange tariff, which is approved by the Public Utility Commission of Texas ("Texas PUC"). The tariff contains provisions regarding the Company's customer service and protection practices.

Service quality standards for voice service are established by the Texas PUC. The Company consistently meets or exceeds those standards and provides reports to the Texas PUC, in accordance with the Texas PUC's rules

With regard to broadband service, the Company provisions its network and equipment to ensure that its customers can enjoy the speeds to which they subscribe. However, Internet speeds generally result from a "best effort" service and are dependent upon a number of variables, many of which are outside the control of the Company.

The Company complies with any and all consumer protection obligations under state law.

The Company also complies with the following consumer best practices: (1) the Company discloses its rates and terms of service to customers; (2) the Company provides specific disclosures in its advertising; (3) the Company separately identifies carrier charges from taxes on its billing statements; (4) the Company provides ready access to customer service; (5) the Company promptly responds to consumer inquiries and complaints received from government agencies; and (6) the Company abides by policies for protection of consumer privacy.

Finally, the Company has a policy and established operating procedures that comply with the FCC's Customer Proprietary Network Information (CPNI) rules (47 C.F.R. §§64.2001-64.2011). Certification of the Company's compliance with CPNI rules and a description of the Company's operating procedures that ensure compliance are filed annually with the FCC.

## LINE 610 - ABILITY TO FUNCTION IN EMERGENCY SITUATIONS

Muenster Telephone Corporation of Texas d/b/a Nortex Communications ("the Company") is able to function in emergency situations for both voice and broadband service. The Company has a reasonable amount of back-up power to ensure functionality without an external power source. Permanently installed standby power generators are supplied at the two primary central offices, and remote switch sites have a minimum of eight hours of backup battery capability and are equipped for portable emergency generators. The Company has four portable emergency generators it can utilize throughout its network to maintain power at remote sites. The network is capable of managing traffic spikes resulting from emergency situations.

The Company is able to reroute traffic around damaged facilities. Although the Company's ability to reroute traffic around damaged facilities is not absolute and may be limited in certain circumstances, there is a restoration plan in place for expeditious recovery of service, including splicing of damaged facilities when warranted. The Company has a portable splicing trailer fully equipped for fast response to cut facilities and has a portable Broadband Loop Carrier available to respond to damaged remote switching sites.

# LINE 1010 – VOICE SERVICES RATE COMPARABILITY

The Wireline Competition Bureau's most recent reasonable comparability benchmark for voice services is \$47.48, which includes the federal subscriber line charge ("SLC").<sup>1</sup>

In all of the exchanges served by Muenster Telephone Corporation of Texas d/b/a Nortex Communications ("the Company"), the single-line residential local rate, including any mandatory extended area service charge, is \$18. When the federal SLC (\$6.50) and the state universal service fee (\$.67) are included, the rate becomes \$25.17. Therefore, the Company's pricing of fixed voice services is less than the reasonable comparability benchmark of \$47.18.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Wireline Competition Bureau Announces Results of 2015 Urban Rate Survey for Fixed Voice and Broadband Services and Posting of Survey Data and Explanatory Notes, Public Notice, WC Docket No. 10-90, DA 15-470 (rel. April 16, 2015).

# LINE 1210 – TERMS & CONDITIONS OF VOICE TELEPHONY LIFELINE PLANS

Residential customers of Muenster Telephone Corporation of Texas d/b/a Nortex Communications ("the Company") who qualify for the Lifeline Program receive a discount of \$12.75 on local voice telephony service (\$9.25 federal discount + \$3.50 state discount).

For all of the Company's exchanges, the Lifeline single-line residential local rate, including any mandatory extended area service charge and the federal subscriber line charge, is \$11.75 (\$24.50 standard rate - \$12.75 discount).

All single-line residential customers, including Lifeline customers, have an unlimited number of minutes for local calls made within the Dallas and Wichita Falls LATAs.

Toll charges for calls outside of the local calling area are determined by the long distance carrier of the customer's choosing. Customers may also elect to subscribe to toll blocking at no charge.

Lifeline Program reductions do not apply to additional services such as information-related services and custom calling features. Lifeline customers may subscribe to these services, where available, at the same rates offered to other customers.

Lifeline customers may subscribe to any of the following service bundles that include residential local voice service and will receive a discount of \$12.75 from the regular price of the service bundle:

	Tariff Price	<u>Lifeline Discounted Price</u>
Nortex Choice Unlimited	\$52.50	\$39.75
Nortex Choice with Internet	\$67.50	\$54.75
Light Speed Choice	\$69.40	\$56.65
Light Speed 500	\$77.40	\$64.65
Light Speed Unlimited	\$84.40	\$71.65
Nortex Flex Pak one line	\$29.50	\$16.75
Nortex Flex Pak two lines	\$50.55	\$37.80

Additional information regarding the terms and conditions of voice telephony Lifeline plans can be found at http://www.nortex.com/news-and-information/Lifeline-Notice.

# **LINE 3010 – MILESTONE CERTIFICATION**

Muenster Telephone Corporation of Texas d/b/a Nortex Communications ("the Company") hereby certifies that the Company has taken reasonable steps to provide upon reasonable request broadband service at actual speeds of 4 Mbps downstream/1 Mbps upstream, with latency suitable for real-time applications, including Voice over Internet Protocol, and usage capacity that is reasonably comparable to reasonably comparable offerings in urban areas, and that requests for such service are met within a reasonable amount of time.

# **LINE 3012 – COMMUNITY ANCHOR INSTITUTIONS**

Muenster Telephone Corporation of Texas d/b/a Nortex Communications did not newly deploy broadband service to any community anchor institutions in the preceding calendar year (2014).

According to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, an agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number. The valid OMB control number for this information collection is 0572-0031. The time required to complete this information collection is estimated to average 4 hours per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching unique to the process extending the part of the process extending the part of the process extending the part of the process of the part of

searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining		npleting and reviewing	the collection of information.		28402000000			
USDA-RUS	S		This data will be used by RUS to review your financial situation. You					
			and, subject to federal laws and regulations regarding confidential i BORROWER NAME	nformation, will be freated as	confidential.			
OPERATING REP	ORT FOR		Muenster Telephone Corporation of	Texas				
TELECOMMUNICATION	IS BORROWER	s	(Prepared with Audited Data)					
INSTRUCTIONS Submit nament to BUS mishin 20 Ja	us afficialism of the s	and a st		BORROWER DESIGNATION				
INSTRUCTIONS-Submit report to RUS within 30 day For detailed instructions, see RUS Bulletin 1744-2. I			PERIOD ENDING December, 2014	ON				
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to the best of our knowledge and belief. ALL INSURANCE REQUIRED BY 7 RENEWALS HAVE BEEN OBTAIN	CFR PART 1788 ED FOR ALL PO	dance with the acc , CHAPTER XVI LICIES. / THIS REPORT	Ounts and other records of the system and reflect the sta I, RUS, WAS IN FORCE DURING THE REPORTION PURSUANT TO PART 1788 OF 7CFR CHAPTER 5 of the following)	NG PERIOD AND				
All of the obligations under the RUS loan do have been fulfilled in all material respects.	cuments		There has been a default in the fulfillment of the oblinunder the RUS loan documents. Said default(s) is/a specifically described in the Telecom Operating Rep	ire				
Alan Rohmer		3/30/2015						
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		1/11/11/25	PALANCE CUEET					
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Cash and Equivalents			CURRENT LIABILITIES					
Cash and Equivalents     Cash-RUS Construction Fund	-		25. Accounts Payable 26. Notes Payable					
Affiliates:	-		Control Control of Con					
	-		27. Advance Billings and Payments					
a. Telecom, Accounts Receivable			28. Customer Deposits	_				
b. Other Accounts Receivable	-		9. Current Mat. L/T Debt	_				
c. Notes Receivable  4. Non-Affiliates:			80. Current Mat. L/T Debt-Rur. Dev.	_				
The Court of the C			31. Current MatCapital Leases					
a. Telecom, Accounts Receivable	-		32. Income Taxes Accrued	_				
b. Other Accounts Receivable			33. Other Taxes Accrued	_				
c. Notes Receivable			34. Other Current Liabilities	_				
5. Interest and Dividends Receivable			35. Total Current Liabilities (25 thru 34)	_				
6. Material-Regulated			ONG-TERM DEBT					
7. Material-Nonregulated			86. Funded Debt-RUS Notes	-				
8. Prepayments	-		87. Funded Debt-RTB Notes	_				
9. Other Current Assets			88. Funded Debt-FFB Notes	_				
10. Total Current Assets (1 Thru 9)			99. Funded Debt-Olher					
NONCURRENT ASSETS			10. Funded Debt-Rural Develop, Loan	_				
11. Investment in Affiliated Companies			11. Premium (Discount) on L/T Debt	_				
a. Rural Development			12. Reacquired Debt					
b. Nonrural Development			13. Obligations Under Capital Lease					
12. Other Investments			14. Adv. From Affiliated Companies					
a. Rural Development			15. Other Long-Term Debt					
b. Nonrural Development			16. Total Long-Term Debt (36 thru 45)					
13. Nonregulated investments			OTHER LIAB. & DEF. CREDITS					
14. Other Noncurrent Assets	-		17. Other Long-Term Liabilities					
15. Deferred Charges			18. Other Deferred Credits					
16. Jurisdictional Differences	-		19. Other Jurisdictional Differences					
17. Total Noncurrent Assets (11 thru 16)			50. Total Other Liabilities and Deferred Credits (47 thru 49)					
PLANT, PROPERTY, AND EQUIPMENT			EQUITY					
18. Telecom, Plant-in-Service			51. Cap. Stock Outstand, & Subscribed					
19. Property Held for Future Use			52. Additional Paid-in-Capital					
20. Plant Under Construction			53. Treasury Stock					
21. Plant Adj., Nonop. Plant & Goodwill			54. Membership and Cap. Certificates					
22. Less Accumulated Depreciation			55. Other Capital					
23. Net Plant (18 thru 21 less 22)			56. Patronage Capital Credits					
24. TOTAL ASSETS (10+17+23)			57. Retained Earnings or Margins					
			58. Total Equity (51 thru 57)					
			59. TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY (35+46+50+58)					

# OPERATING REPORT FOR

BORROWER DESIGNATION TX0613

OPERATING REPORT FOR TELECOMMUNICATIONS BORROWERS	DEDICE ENDING		
TELECONIMONICATIONS BORROWERS	PERIOD ENDING		
INSTRUCTIONS- See RUS Bulletin 1744-2	December, 2014		
PART B. STATEMENTS OF INCOM	ME AND RETAINED EARNING	GS OR MARGINS	
ITEM		PRIOR YEAR	THIS YEAR
Local Network Services Revenues			
2. Network Access Services Revenues			
3. Long Distance Network Services Revenues			
Carrier Billing and Collection Revenues	ATT YES		
5. Miscellaneous Revenues			
Uncollectible Revenues			
7. Net Operating Revenues (1 thru 5 less 6)			
Plant Specific Operations Expense			
<ol> <li>Plant Nonspecific Operations Expense (Excluding Depreciation &amp; Amort</li> </ol>	rtization)		
10. Depreciation Expense			
11. Amortization Expense			
12. Customer Operations Expense			
13. Corporate Operations Expense			
14. Total Operating Expenses (8 thru 13)			
15. Operating Income or Margins (7 less 14)			
16. Other Operating Income and Expenses			
17. State and Local Taxes			
18. Federal Income Taxes			
19. Other Taxes			
20. Total Operating Taxes (17+18+19)			
21. Net Operating Income or Margins (15+16-20)			
22. Interest on Funded Debt			
23. Interest Expense - Capital Leases			
24. Other Interest Expense			
25. Allowance for Funds Used During Construction			
26. Total Fixed Charges (22+23+24-25)			
27. Nonoperating Net Income			
28. Extraordinary Items			
29. Jurisdictional Differences			
30. Nonregulated Net Income			
31. Total Net Income or Margins (21+27+28+29+30-26)			
32. Total Taxes Based on Income			
Retained Earnings or Margins Beginning-of-Year     Miscellaneous Credits Year-to-Date			
35. Dividends Declared (Common) 36. Dividends Declared (Professed)			
36. Dividends Declared (Preferred) 37. Other Debits Year-to-Date			
<ol> <li>Transfers to Patronage Capital</li> <li>Retained Earnings or Margins End-of-Period [(31+33+34) - (35+36-</li> </ol>	+27+38\1		
40. Patronage Capital Beginning-of-Year	.01.100/3		
41. Transfers to Patronage Capital			
42. Patronage Capital Credits Retired	-		
43. Patronage Capital End-of-Year (40+41-42)			
44. Annual Debt Service Payments			
45. Cash Ratio [(14+20-10-11) / 7]			
46. Operating Accrual Ratio [(14+20+26) / 7]			
47. TIER [(31+26) / 26]			
48. DSCR [(31+26+10+11) / 44]			

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	1. RATE	S	2. SUB	SCRIBERS (ACCESS LIN	3. ROUTE MILES		
EXCHANGE	B-1 (a)	R-1 (b)	BUSINESS (a)	RESIDENTIAL (b)	TOTAL (c)	TOTAL (including fiber) (a)	FIBER (b)
Valley View East	20.95	14.50					
Valley View	20.95	14.50					
Myra	27.95	18.00					
Muenster	20.95	14.50					
Rosston	20.95	14.50					
Forestburg	20.95	14.50					
MobileWireless							
Route Mileage Outside Exchange Area							
Total	167						
No. Exchanges	6						

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			4. E	BROADBAND SER	VICE			
				Deta	ls on Least Exper	nsive Broadband S	ervice	
EXCHANGE	No. Access Lines with BB available (a)	No Of Broadband Subscribers (b)	Number Of Subscribers (c)	Advertised Download Rate (Kbps) (d)	Advertised Upload Rate (Kbps) (e)	Price Per Month (f)	Standalone/Pckg (f)	Type Of Technology (g)
Valley View East				3,000	512	29,95	Package	DSL
Valley View				3,000	512	29.95	Package	Fiber to the Home
Myra				3,000	512	29.95	Package	DSL
Muenster				3,000	512	29.95	Package	Fiber to the Home
Rosston				3,000	512	29.95	Package	DSL
Forestburg				3,000	512	29.95	Package	DSL



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	PART D. SYSTEM	M DATA			
I. No. Plant Employees 2. No. Other Employees	3. Square Miles Served	478	4. Access Lines per Squar	e Mile 6 . 87	5. Subscribers per Route Mile 2.50
	PART E. TOLL	DATA			
Study Area ID Code(s)     2. Types of T	oli Settlements (Check on	e)			
a. 442116 b		Interstate:	Average Schedul	e	X Cost Basis
c		Intrastate:	Average Schedul	e	X Cost Basis
d					
e					
9					
h					
I.					
<u>}</u>					
PART	F. FUNDS INVESTED IN I	PLANT DURING YE	AR		
RUS, RTB, & FFB Loan Funds Expended					
Other Long-Term Loan Funds Expended					
Funds Expended Under RUS Interim Approval					
Other Short-Term Loan Funds Expended					
General Funds Expended (Other than Interim)					
Salvaged Materials					
7. Contribution in Aid to Construction					
8. Gross Additions to Telecom. Plant (1 thru 7)					
PART	G. INVESTMENTS IN AFF	FILIATED COMPANI	ES		
	CURRENT	YEAR DATA		CUMULATIVE DA	ATA
	33,000	The second	Cumulative	Cumulative	70
INVESTMENTS	Investment	Income/Loss	Investment	Income/Loss	Current
	This Year	This Year	To Date	To Date	Balance
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)
Investment in Affiliated Companies - Rural Development	1.5	100	177	107	377
Investment in Affiliated Companies - Nonrural Development					

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in.	PART I – STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS	
1.	Beginning Cash (Cash and Equivalents plus RUS Construction Fund)	
	CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	
2.	Net Income	
	Adjustments to Reconcile Net Income to Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities	
3.	Add: Depreciation	
4.	Add: Amortization	
5.	Other (Explain)	
	Changes in Operating Assets and Liabilities	
6.	Decrease/(Increase) in Accounts Receivable	
7.	Decrease/(Increase) in Materials and Inventory	
8.	Decrease/(Increase) in Prepayments and Deferred Charges	
9.	Decrease/(Increase) in Other Current Assets	
10.	Increase/(Decrease) in Accounts Payable	
11.	Increase/(Decrease) in Advance Billings & Payments	
12.	Increase/(Decrease) in Other Current Liabilities	
13.	Net Cash Provided/(Used) by Operations	
120000	CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES	
14.	Decrease/(Increase) in Notes Receivable	
15.	Increase/(Decrease) in Notes Payable	
16.	Increase/(Decrease) in Customer Deposits	
17.	Net Increase/(Decrease) in Long Term Debt (Including Current Maturities)	
18.	Increase/(Decrease) in Other Liabilities & Deferred Credits	
19.	Increase/(Decrease) in Capital Stock, Paid-in Capital, Membership and Capital Certificates & Other Capital	
20.	Less: Payment of Dividends	
21.	Less: Patronage Capital Credits Retired	
22.	Other (Explain)	
23.	Net Cash Provided/(Used) by Financing Activities	
	CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES	
24.	Net Capital Expenditures (Property, Plant & Equipment)	
25.	Other Long-Term Investments	
26.	Other Noncurrent Assets & Jurisdictional Differences	
27.	Other (Explain) Ded. in Accum Depr for retirement of PPE	
28.	Net Cash Provided/(Used) by Investing Activities	
28. 29.	Net Cash Provided/(Used) by Investing Activities  Net Increase/(Decrease) in Cash	

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